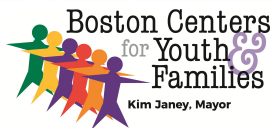


BCYF Community Center Study Dorchester

Community Meeting #1

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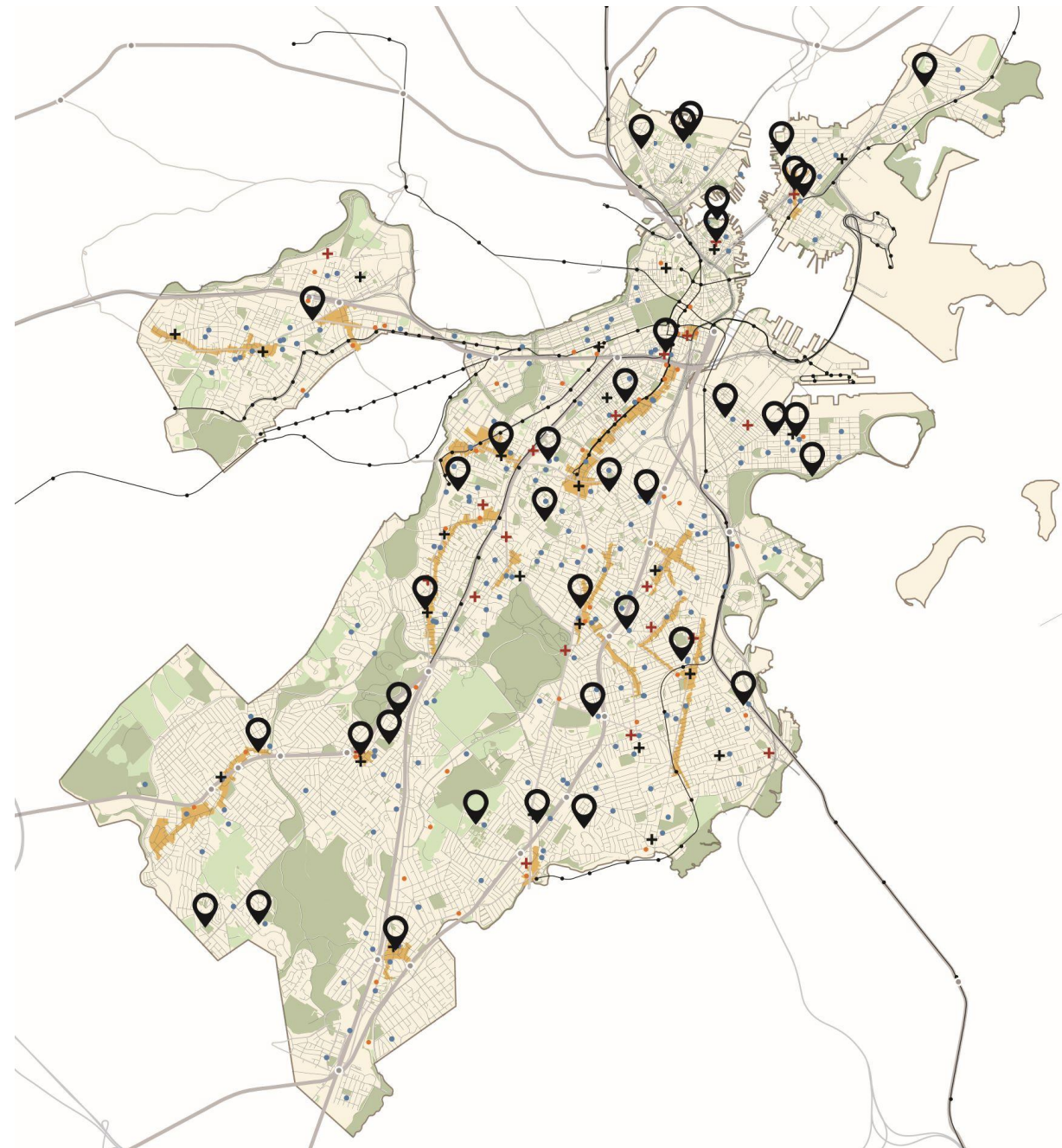
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Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Study Goals & Process
3. BCYF Goals & Objectives
4. BCYF Programs
5. Dorchester Site Selection
6. Q&A Discussion

We will be asking you to participate interactively through polls throughout the presentation.

This meeting will be recorded and posted on the project website: www.boston.gov/BCYF



Study Goals

Part of a 10-year masterplan to build new BCYF facilities in Dorchester

1. What?

Establish the types of uses and activities in a new BCYF center in Dorchester

2. Where?

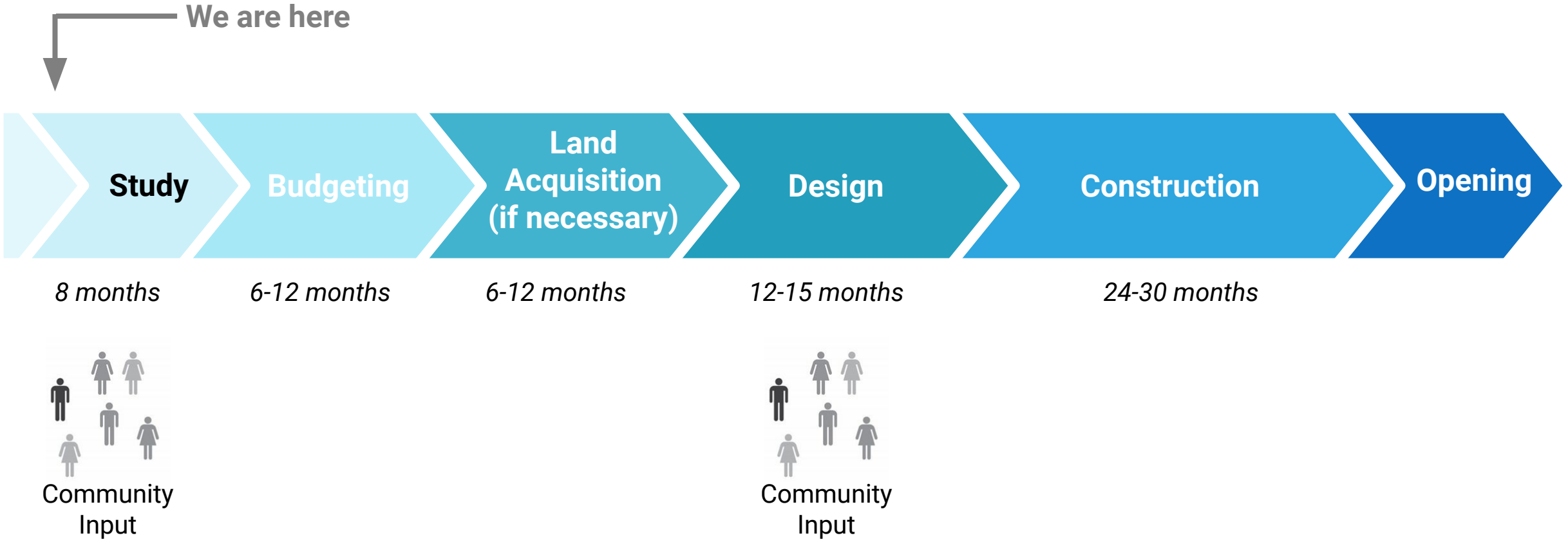
Identify sites for new BCYF centers

3. Verify!

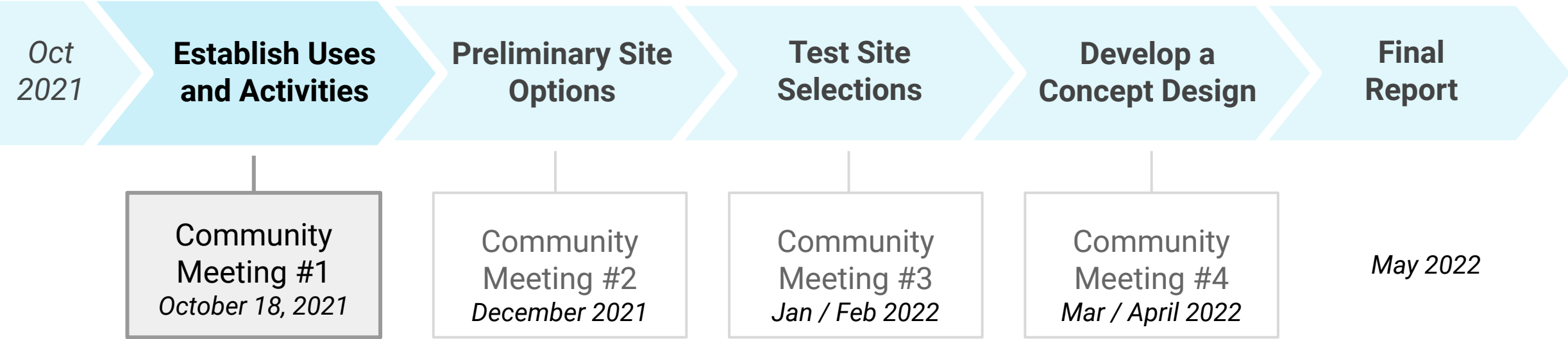
Test in three dimensions a new BCYF center on the selected sites

The study will result in a final report that will be the first step in budgeting, designing and building a new BCYF center.

Typical Project Schedule



Study Process and Schedule



BCYF Goals and Objectives

Stand-Alone Facility

Create a center that is not limited in hours or activities by shared facilities

More Programming

Create adequate space for uses and activities geared to the neighborhood

Flexibility

Provide flexible spaces for a range of activities and user groups

Diverse Users

Serve the different interests and needs of BCYF's users including youth, teens, adults, families, and seniors

Existing BCYF Programs (City wide)

Most Common

- Community Rooms (36)
- Gymnasiums (28)
- Computer Labs (25)
- Teen Centers (23)
- Adult Education (21)
- Pools (18)
- Fitness Centers (13)
- Dance Studios (12)
- After School Programs (10)
- Kitchens (10)
- Senior Spaces (9)
- Auditorium/Theatres(5)
- Batting Cages (5)
- Rock Walls (5)
- Music Studios (3)

Least common



BCYF Program Areas

Community & Education

- Community rooms
- Classrooms
- Toddler/childrens' rooms
- Senior centers
- Teen centers
- Computer labs

Arts

- Performance spaces
- Art rooms
- Music/band rooms
- Recording studios
- Makerspaces

Fitness & Sports

- Yoga/dance studios
- Weight & cardio rooms
- Pools
- Gyms
- Basketball courts
- Batting cages
- Rock walls

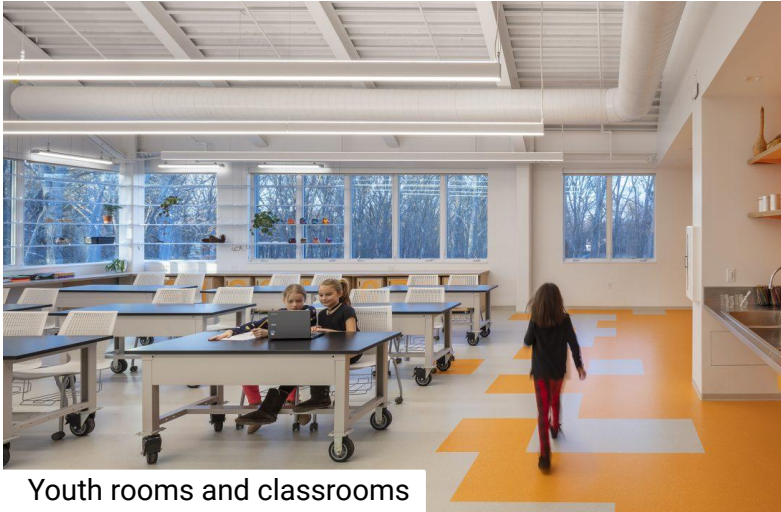
Outdoor Spaces

- Gathering entrances
- Playscapes
- Outdoor courts
- Outdoor assembly spaces
- Sport fields

Community and Education



Flexible community rooms



Youth rooms and classrooms



Senior center



Computer lab



Teen room



Toddler/childrens' room

Arts



Performance space



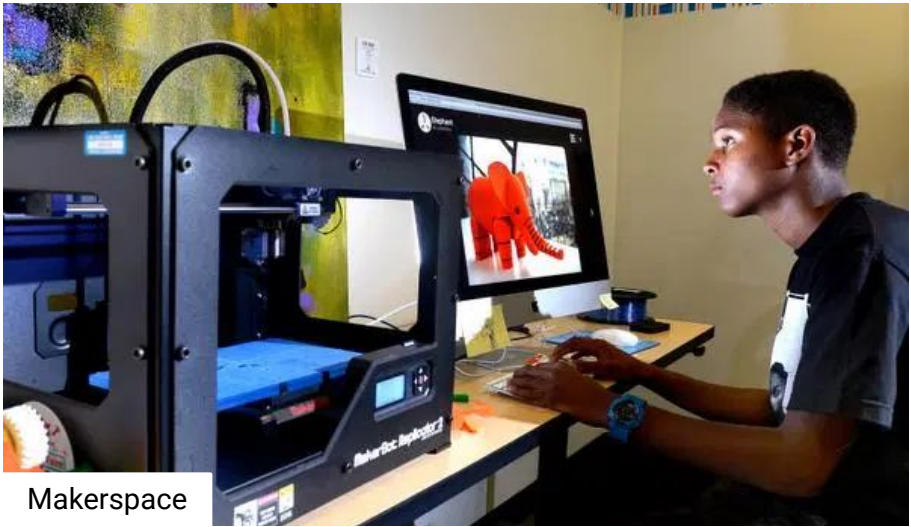
Art room



Music/band room



Recording studio



Makerspace

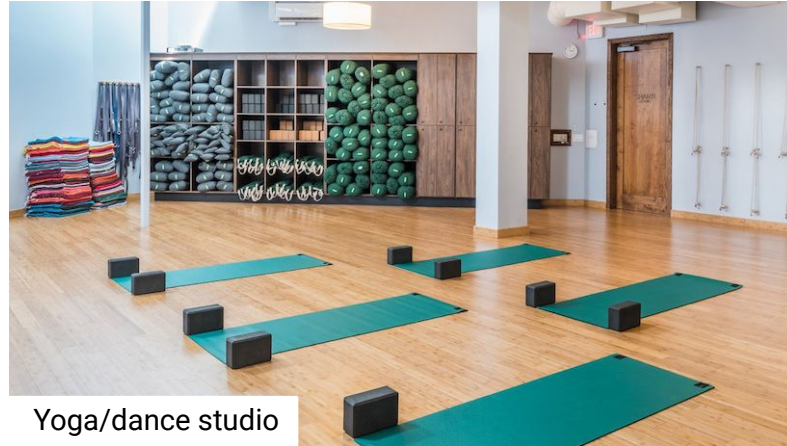
Fitness & Sports



Weight room



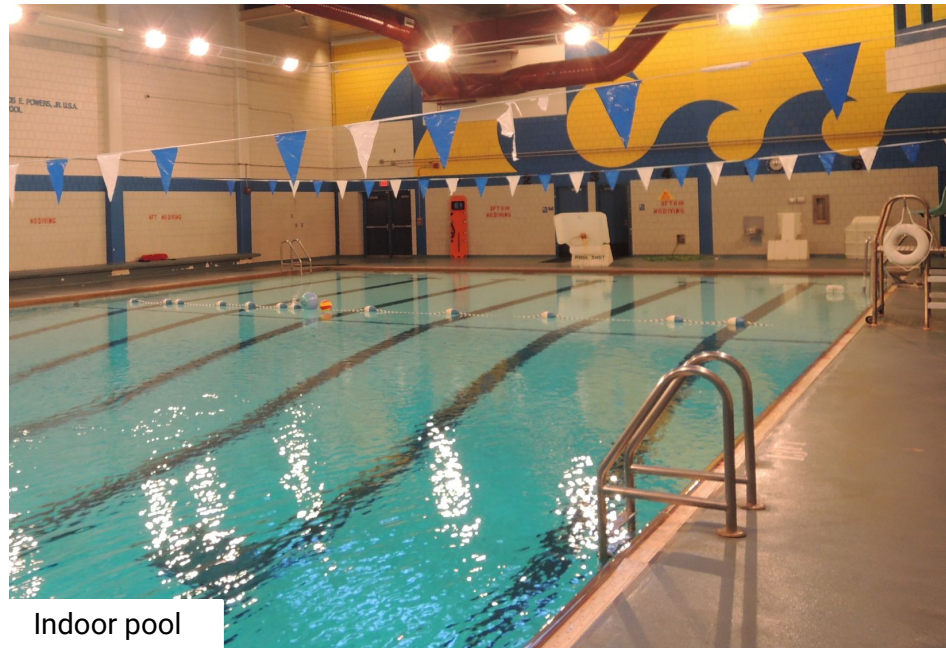
Cardio room



Yoga/dance studio



Boxing/martial arts

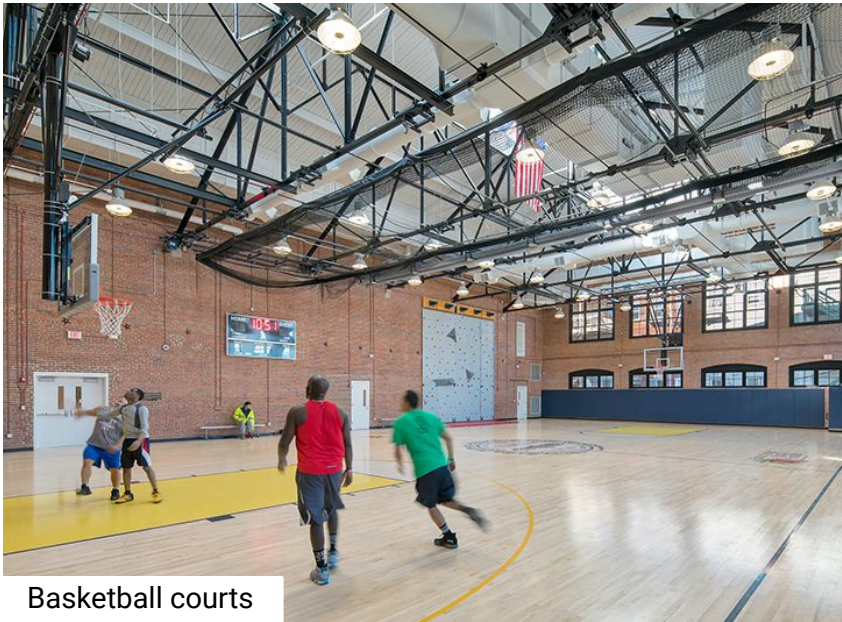


Indoor pool

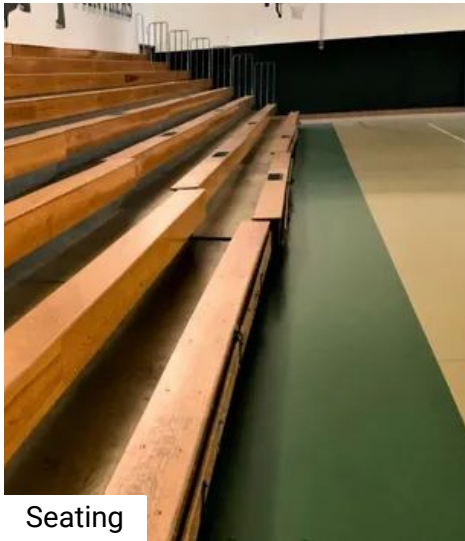


Outdoor pool

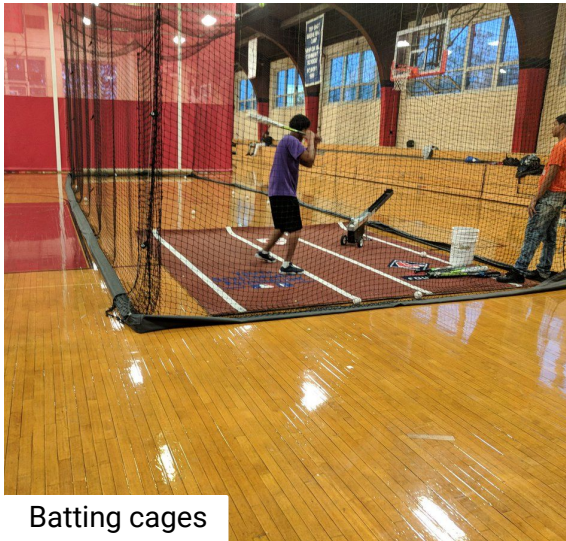
Fitness & Sports: Gymnasium



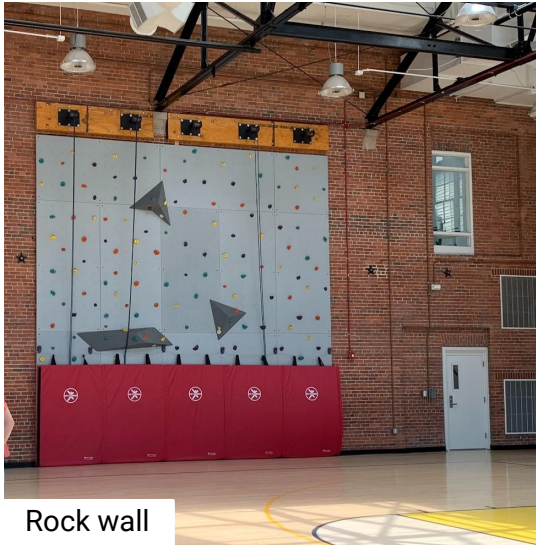
Basketball courts



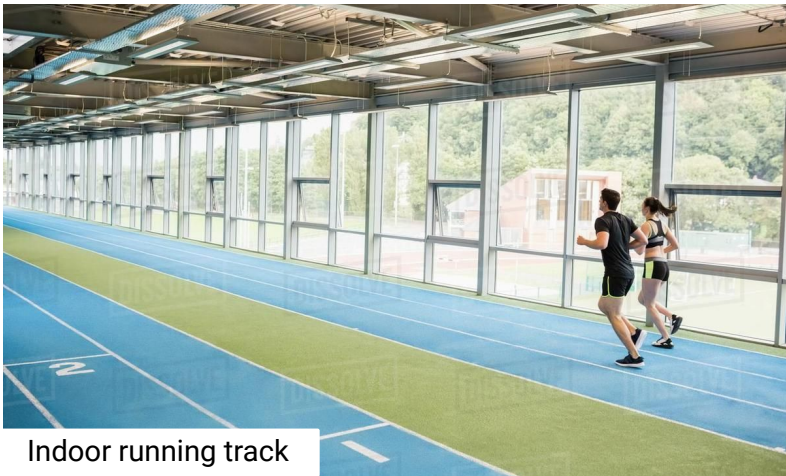
Seating



Batting cages



Rock wall



Indoor running track



Volleyball



Badminton

Outdoor spaces



Entry courtyard



Playscape



Sports fields

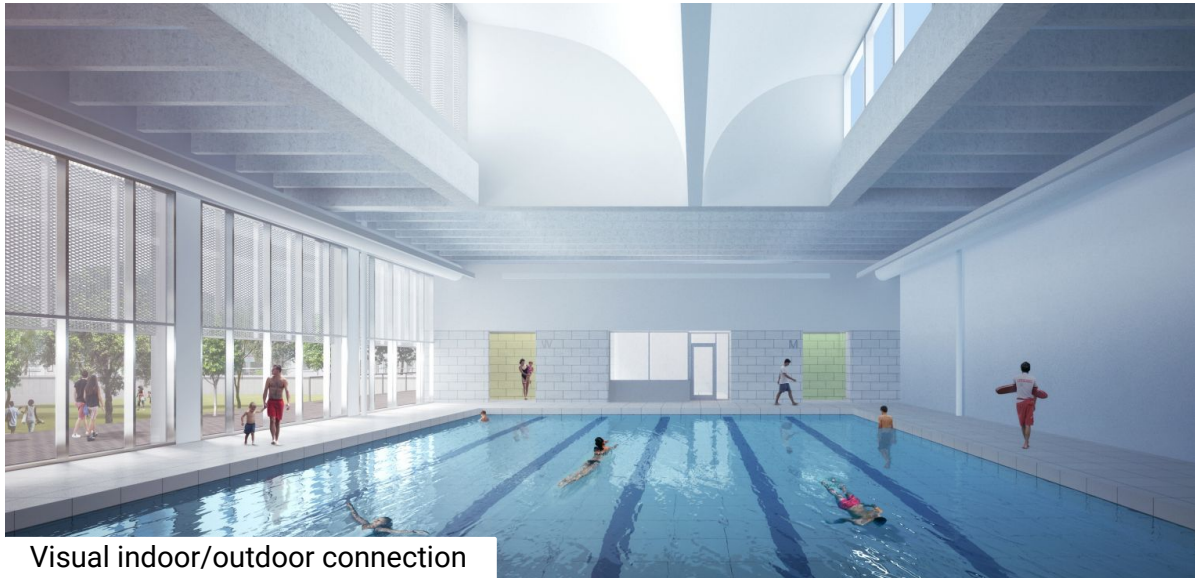


Basketball courts



Outdoor assembly area

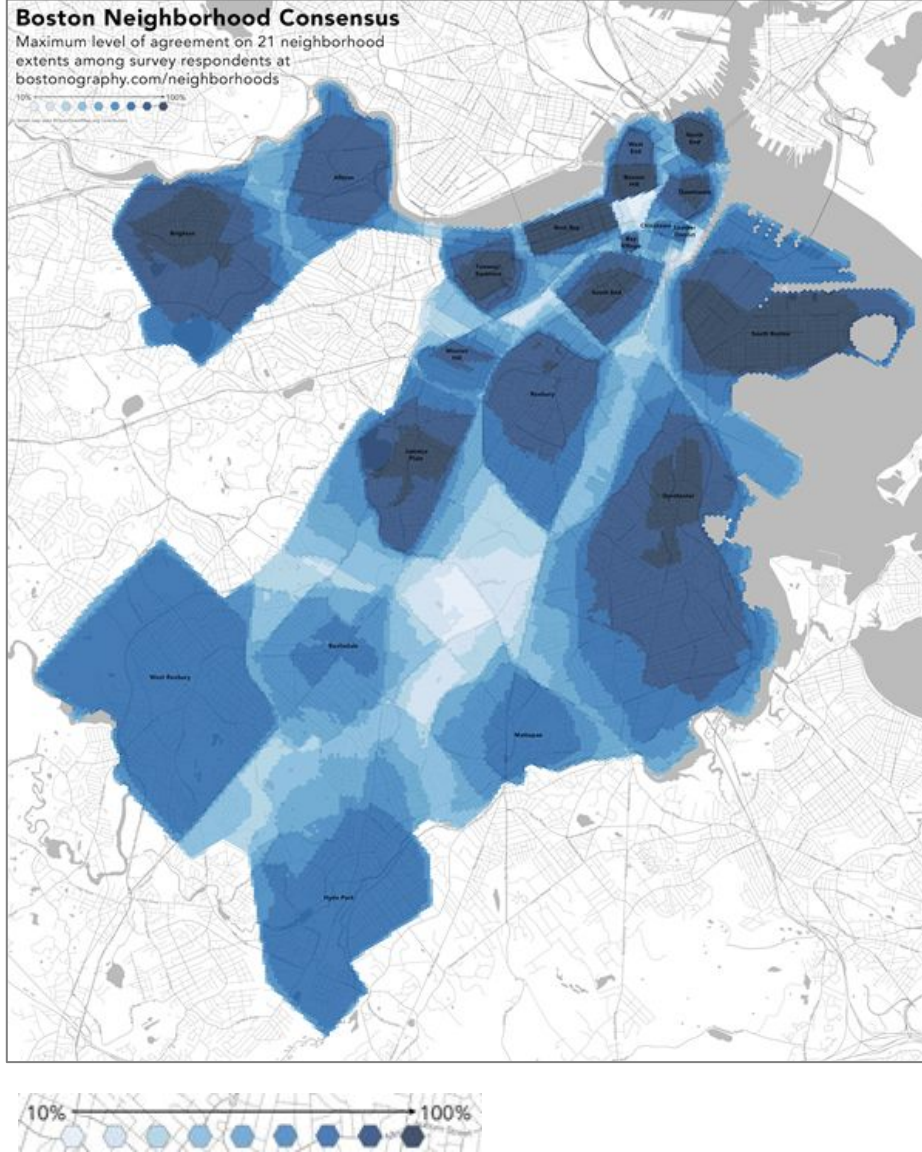
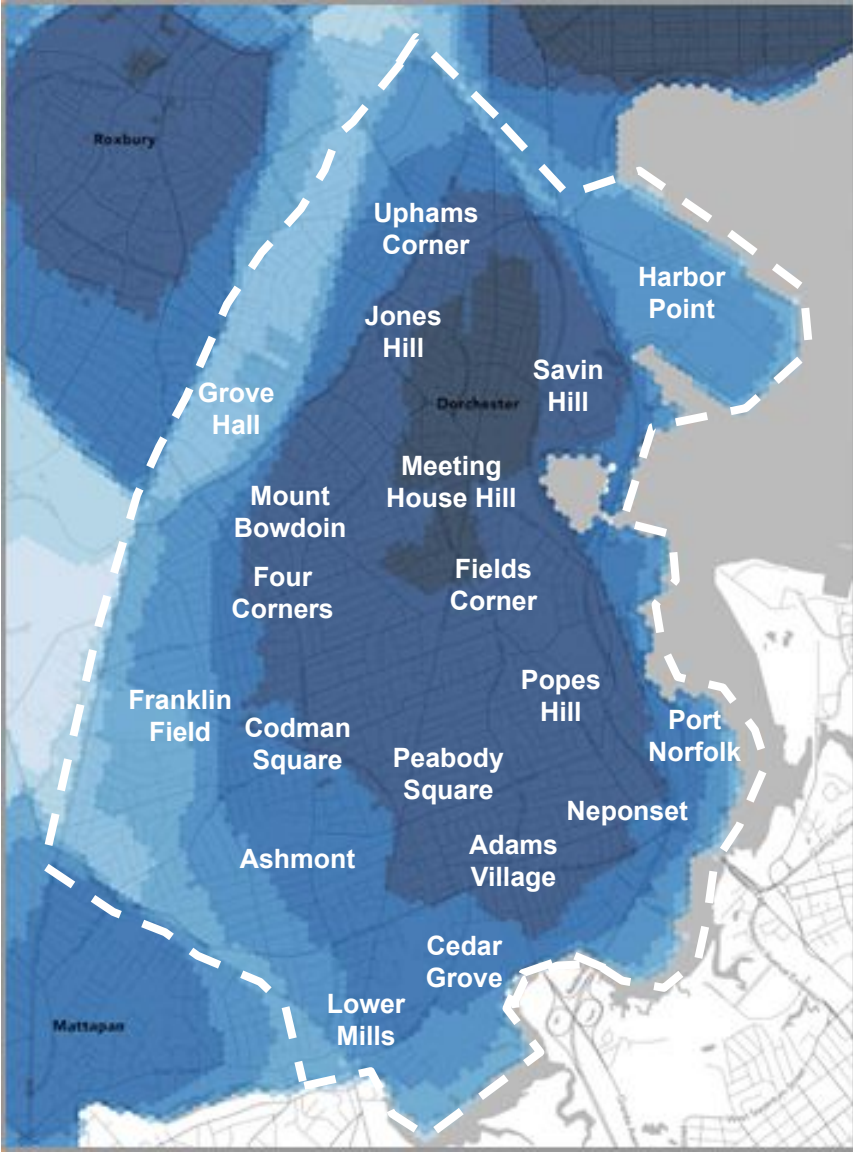
Indoor and outdoor connections



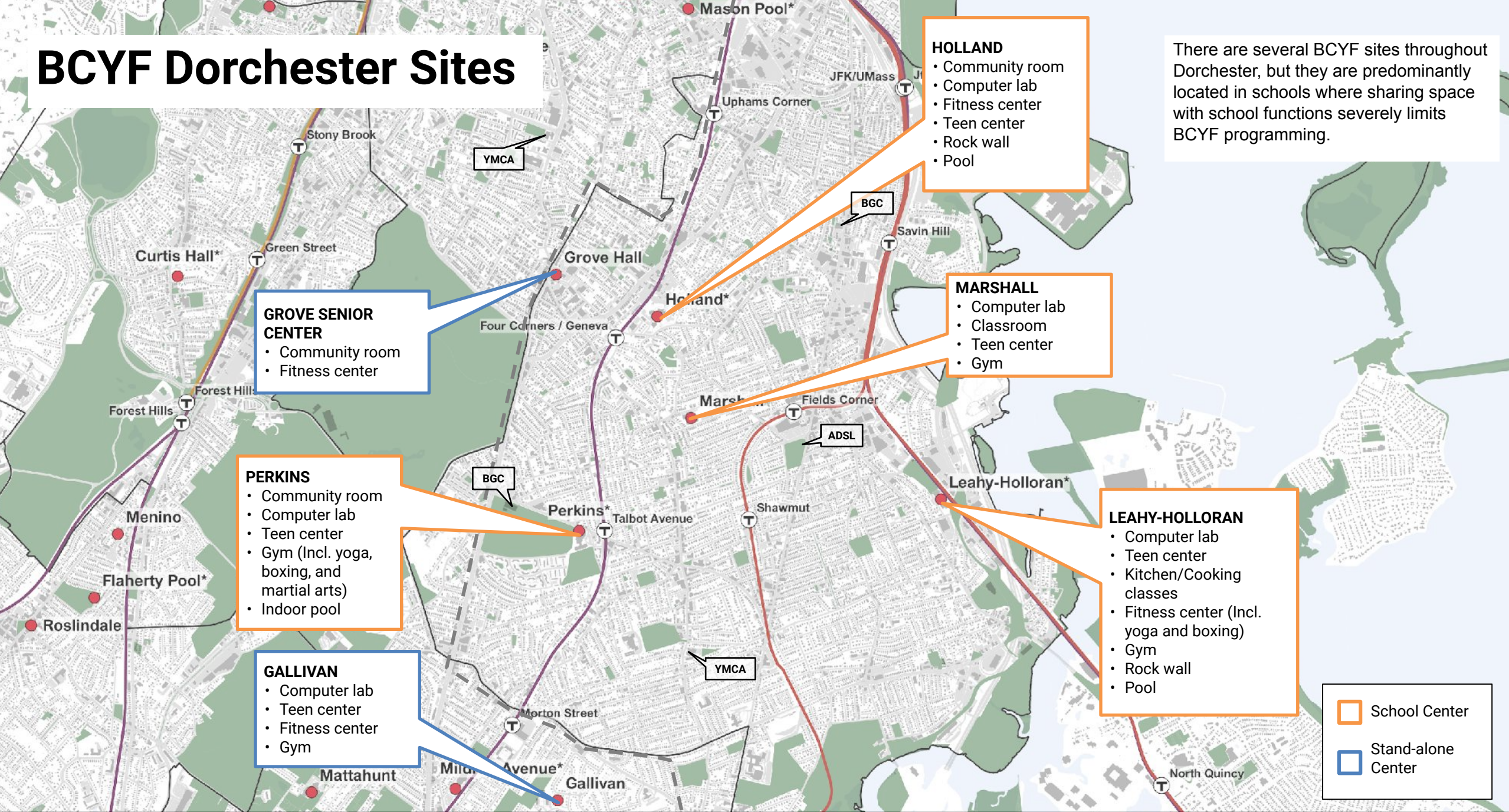
Process for Selecting a Site in Dorchester

- **Determine the needs of specific areas in Dorchester**
- **Determine the size of the site required to fit a new BCYF center that meets those needs**
- **Find available sites - public and private**
- **Evaluate the relative cost of building on the site (land acquisition, site cleanup costs, etc)**
- **Test in three dimensions a new BCYF center on the site to verify the site is suitable**

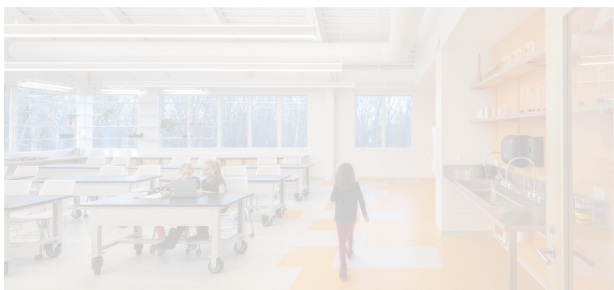
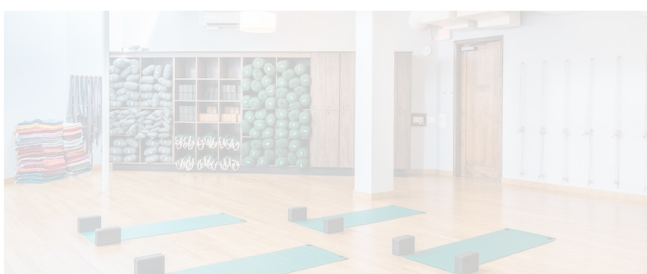
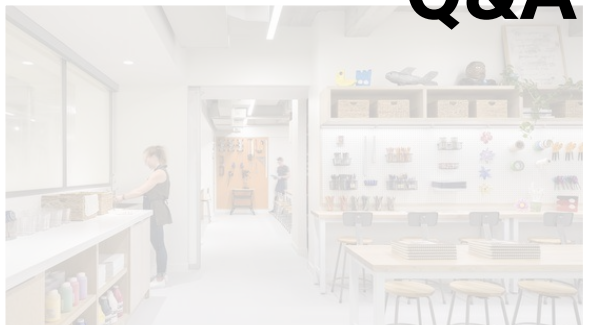
Where is Dorchester?



BCYF Dorchester Sites



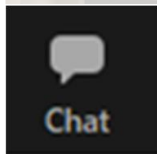
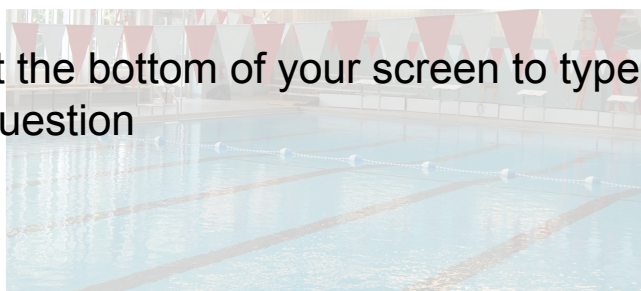
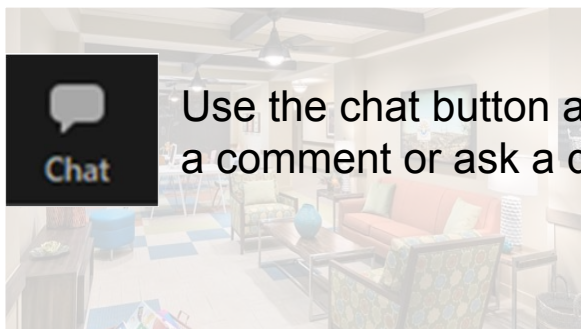
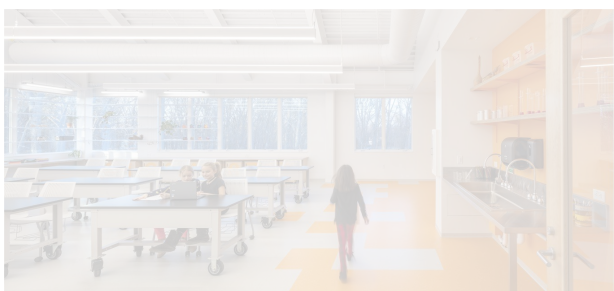
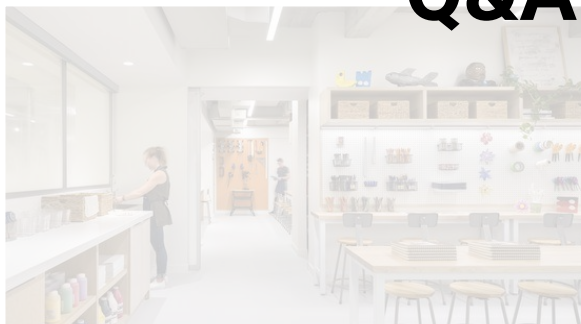
There are several BCYF sites throughout Dorchester, but they are predominantly located in schools where sharing space with school functions severely limits BCYF programming.



CAC members can mute/unmute themselves during the discussion



General Public Q&A Session



Use the chat button at the bottom of your screen to type a comment or ask a question



Thank you!

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